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August 18, 1995

Mr. D. Wayne Hedberg Permit Supervisor, Minerals Regulatory Program State of Utah, Department of Natural Resources Division of Oil, Gas and Mining 355 West North Temple, Suite 350 Salt Lake City, UT 84180-1203

Re: Surety Bond & Mine Reclamation, Sunshine Mining Company,

Apex/Burgin Mine, M/049/009, Utah County, Utah

Dear Mr. Hedberg:

Pursuant to your August 2 letter, Sunshine Mining respectfully requests a reduction of our reclamation liability for the portion that is now covered by a replacement reclamation surety posted by South Standard.

Thank you in advance for your assistance.

Sincerely

M. Michael Owens Vice President

c: Teresa Bearden, Aetna Phillip Brown

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